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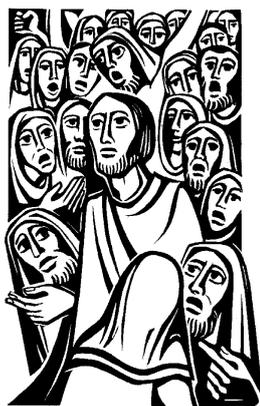


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FOURTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME (Year C) SUNDAY 3rd FEBRUARY 2019



The first reading tells us how God called Jeremiah as His prophet and equipped him to face opposition and rejection. In living out his prophetic vocation while encountering rejection and persecution, Jeremiah prefigured Jesus, the greatest of all prophets. In the second reading, we hear Paul speaking with the courage of his convictions in correcting the Corinthian Christian community where the exercise of God's gifts was causing competition, jealousy and divisiveness. He courageously presents to them a "way" which surpasses all others, namely, the way of love, and instructs them to exercise their gifts with love. Today's Gospel is a continuation of last Sunday's Gospel presenting his own people's negative reaction to Jesus. The passage shows us how Jesus faced skepticism and criticism with prophetic courage. Jeremiah, Paul and Jesus believed that they were commissioned by God to proclaim a disturbing prophetic message (Jer 1:4-5, 17-19). No matter how strong the opposition, the three had the conviction that God was with them. We need to follow Christ, not political correctness, and to speak the truth of Christ without being hypocritical or disrespectful. We must never remain silent in the face of evil for fear of being thought "politically incorrect." Jesus taught us to love and respect others without condoning or encouraging sinful behavior. We need to be kind, charitable, honest and forgiving, but clear in speaking out our Christian convictions as Jesus was when he spoke in the synagogue at Nazareth.

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Save us, O Lord our God! And gather us from the nations, to give thanks to your holy name, and make it our glory to praise you.

The Gloria

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory. Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.'

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

A reading from the Prophet Jeremiah 1:4-5,17-19



In the days of Josiah, the word of the Lord was addressed to me, saying:

'Before I formed you in the womb I knew you;
before you came to birth I consecrated you;
I have appointed you as prophet to the nations.

'So now brace yourself for action.

Stand up and tell them

all I command you.

Do not be dismayed at their presence,
or in their presence I will make you dismayed.

'I, for my part, today will make you
into a fortified city,

a pillar of iron,

and a wall of bronze

to confront all this land:

the kings of Judah, its princes,
its priests and the country people.

They will fight against you

but shall not overcome you,

for I am with you to deliver you –

it is the Lord who speaks.'

The word of the Lord. R. Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Psalm 70(71):1-6,15,17

R. My lips will tell of your help

In you, O Lord, I take refuge;

let me never be put to shame.

In your justice rescue me, free me:

pay heed to me and save me. **R**

Be a rock where I can take refuge,
a mighty stronghold to save me;
for you are my rock, my stronghold.
Free me from the hand of the wicked. **R**

It is you, O Lord, who are my hope,
my trust, O Lord, since my youth.
On you I have leaned from my birth,
from my mother's womb you have been my help. **R**

My lips will tell of your justice
and day by day of your help.
O God, you have taught me from my youth
and I proclaim your wonders still. **R**

SECOND READING

A Reading from the letter of St Paul to Corinthians 12:31-13:13

Be ambitious for the higher gifts. And I am going to show you a way that is better than any of them.

If I have all the eloquence of men or of angels, but speak without love, I am simply a gong booming or a cymbal clashing. If I have the gift of prophecy, understanding all the mysteries there are, and knowing everything, and if I have faith in all its fullness, to move mountains, but without love, then I am nothing at all. If I give away all that I possess, piece by piece, and if I even let them take my body to burn it, but am without love, it will do me no good whatever.

Love is always patient and kind; it is never jealous; love is never boastful or conceited; it is never rude or selfish; it does not take offence, and is not resentful. Love takes no pleasure in other people's sins but delights in the truth; it is always ready to excuse, to trust, to hope, and to endure whatever comes.

Love does not come to an end. But if there are gifts of prophecy, the time will come when they must fail; or the gift of languages, it will not continue for ever; and knowledge – for this, too, the time will come when it must fail. For our knowledge is imperfect and our prophesying is imperfect; but once perfection comes, all imperfect things will disappear. When I was a child, I used to talk like a child, and think like a child, and argue like a child, but now I am a man, all childish ways are put behind me. Now we are seeing a dim reflection in a mirror; but then we shall be seeing face to face. The knowledge that I have now is imperfect; but then I shall know as fully as I am known.

In short, there are three things that last: faith, hope and love; and the greatest of these is love.

The word of the Lord. **R. Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*Alleluia, alleluia! I am the Way, the Truth and the Life, says the Lord;
No one can come to the Father except through me. Alleluia!*

GOSPEL

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke 4:21-30

APOSTLES' CREED

**I believe in God,
the Father Almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;
He descended into hell;
on the third day He rose again from the dead;
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from there He will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Holy Catholic Church,
the communion of Saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and life everlasting.**

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

SANCTUS:

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

THE MYSTERY OF FAITH.

*When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup,
we proclaim your Death, O Lord,
until you come again.*

COMMUNION RITE

Deliver us, Lord, we pray...

For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and for ever

Behold the Lamb of God...

*Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word
and my soul shall be healed.*

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Let your face shine on your servant.

Save me in your merciful love.

O Lord, let me never be put to shame, for I call on you.

PARISH INFORMATION, FAITH NEWS & MISSION



A DAY WITH JESUS

DAY WITH JESUS: The second Saturday of each month there is Recollection, Mass & Healing Prayers. The next one will be **SATUR-**



DAY 9th FEBRUARY starting at **9.15am** with MORNING PRAYER, adoration, devotions, talk, confessions, and a **SPECIAL MASS at 11am** followed by anointing of the sick and prayer over people. It is a wonderful opportunity to spend time in prayer and reflection. If you know anyone who is ill in your family or among friends please bring them with you.

WE WISH CANON JOHN O'TOOLE a *belated Happy Birthday* as he started on Friday count down to a big birthday next year.

RITE OF ELECTION: all adults who have started their preparation for baptism, reception or confirmation are invited to the Rite of Election at the **St George's Cathedral on Saturday 9th March.**

FLAME: It the biggest Catholic youth event in the UK with Music festival, symposium, reflection etc. Parish encourages young people of 18-25 years to participate in it. Parish will sponsor the tickets. If anyone is interested please contact a priest or parish office. More details can be found on the notice board. *Two more tickets are available.*

PARISH HALLS' BOOKINGS: The halls should be ready for hire by 9/10 February. For bookings please contact the Parish Office.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CLASSES: Please refer to the timetable given to each candidate. Next class is on **SATURDAY 9th February at 9.50am** in the Parish Hall.

CONFIRMATION: Please refer to the timetable given to each candidate The next session is on **SATURDAY 9th February at 11.15am** in the Parish Hall.

RCIA: next session is on **SATURDAY 16th February** at 1.30pm.

ALTAR SERVERS: Thanks to all the parents who came for the meeting last Saturday. *Some points from the meeting: parents are requested to help the altar servers to hang the Alb and Cottas after the Mass in the working sacristy. Altar Servers can take a set of Alb & Cottas to home for them to use exclusively. All the Altar servers and their families are invited to their outing on Monday 6th May.*

LITURGY FOR INFANTS: will begin from next weekend in the **NEW ROOM.** There will be live Mass in the New Room which is accessible through the emergency exit on Our Lady's Isle. This room is handy for parents who come with small children. Parents can take their children to the room when they are restless. There will be catechetical materials available in the Room.

EUCCHARISITC MINISTERS: Parish takes this opportunity to say a big thank you to all the ministers for their service to our Parish family. We need new ministers to join the team. If you can please take a form, fill it and hand it over to a priest or in the Parish office. Many thanks.

FEAST OF ST BLAISE & BLESSING OF THROATS: since the feast falls on this Sunday, we shall have the feast day celebrations and the blessing of throats on **Monday 4th February**. *Blessing of Throat will be done after both the Masses on Monday.*

PARISH FINANCE COMMITTEE will meet on this **Monday 4th February** at 7.15pm.

PARISH COUNCIL will meet on this **Thursday 7th February** at 7.15pm.

PARISH COFFEE SHOP: will reopen this weekend.

COFFEE AFTER MASS: Once the Parish Halls are completed we will resume the coffee morning after the Sunday morning masses where tea/coffee is free. It is an opportunity to meet other members of the parish family. Also after 12:00 Mass a priced lunch is available for those interested.

THE ORDER OF MASS: those who are not sure of the parts & responses of the Mass, please make use of the **ORDER OF MASS** card leaflet from the back of the Church. Please do not take home this card leaflet and please put it back in the holder for the next person. Thank you.

CHILDRENS' LITURGY: will resume this Sunday. At the beginning of 10.30am Mass on Sunday, all children, 5-10 years are requested to come forward towards the Sanctuary to join for the liturgy procession. Catechists will lead them out to the Parish Meeting Room.

PARISH OPEN HOUSE: Next open house is on **Friday 8th February** 4.30pm-6pm. No appointment needed.

CHURCH CLEANING: Thank you very much to those people who have volunteered to clean the Church on Mondays. Please do not forget about your duty according to the Rota. This Monday is **week 1(Team 1)** at 10am.

NEED TO SEE A PRIEST: If you need to see a priest to sign a school supplementary form, discuss about baptism or a wedding or a private matter, please come to the **Parish Open House**.

We remember in our prayers LIONEL RAJAH & Mary McCauley who died recently. Lionel Rajah's funeral will be on this Tuesday at 1pm in our Church.

For all those who are celebrating their birthday this week the Parish wishes you a Happy Birthday and we join you to give thanks to God for the wonderful gift of life to you & you a special gift to us. The Parish also wishes every blessing to all the couples who are celebrating their wedding anniversary this week.



Wish you all a Blessed Week!

TO BAPTISE A BABY: before filling a baptismal application form, please first discuss with a priest at the Parish Open House held on Fridays from 4.30pm – 6.00pm in the Parish Office.

BAPTISM PREPARATION COURSE: Next course will be on Monday 25th February at 7.30pm in the Parish Meeting Room.

HOSPITAL VISITS: For any person admitted in St George’s Hospital and who would like to see a priest, please contact Fr Mark Higgins, the hospital chaplain on 020 8725 3069. In an emergency, please ask the ward staff to contact the Catholic priest on call.

PARISH PRAYER LIST

Please remember in your prayers all those on our parish prayer list.

The Sick: Marie D’Silva, Nilojan Mariyathas, Jill Hart, Betty Joyce, Tony Hardy, Esther Daley, Clifford Tetteh, Norman Mendonca, Irene Mendonca, Julianna Hayfron, Nino Abel, Albert Folvi, Marciana Tangcay, Geoff Blwyddin Helena O’Connor, Cecil Adams, Pat Nolan, Pauline Kearney, Tony & Lenna McCormick, Victoria & Kwesi Yankson, Christina Wood, James & Norah Bolger, Anne Scanlon, Fortunata D’Souza, Nigel Searle, Gordon King, Cecilia Figueira.

Recently Deceased: Lionel RAJAH and Mary McCAULEY

Anniversaries: Mary Kassim, Ann Collier, Bernard Ward, Teresa Brownhill, Bridget Healey, Kenneth Mulcahy, Hugh Lynch, Sr Philomena Morgan, Thomas Connolly, Alan Berlie, Joyce Donaldson, Stephen Humphreys, Michael Hopkins, Kathleen Sullivan, Margaret Gallagher, Elizabethrani Jakob, Ralph Emerson, Nneoma Onyiukah, Mary Brown, John McNamara, Lorna Charles-Agbowu, Lucy Lartey. **May they rest in peace – Amen.**

	2nd & 3rd February	9th & 10th February
	LITURGICAL READERS (please collect a copy of the rota)	
Sat18.30	Matchel Bibat, Antoine Englebright	Merichel Austria, Milosz Wojtowicz
09.00	Jeanet Leyton, Frances Baltazar	Luiza Lobo, Pat Willis
10.30	Antasasia Ogbonna, Mary Sagoe	Ada Ikpoh, Rose Adroa
12.00	Cecilie Francis, Finnuala Lynch	Keoni McGowan, Callum Fernandez
18.30	Susan Daniel, Sally Canizo	Michael Lobo, Liza Asante
	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS (please collect a copy of the rota)	
Sat18.30	Debra Anton, Matchel Bibat, Doris Cubero	Agnela, David and Manuel Cabral
09.00	Luiza Lobo, Erica Summers, Jane Parper	Valrose Hayes, Coralee Hilton, Elizabeth Rodrigues
10.30	Josie McCarthy, Brenda McGrath Rui Rodrigues	Edy Endoza, Virginia Francois, Damian P Keeling
12.00	Bernardine & Denis Fernandes Mary Rainford	Rosemary John, Marjorie Smith, Mary Mayne
18.30	Agnes Babu, Sharon Wrightman, Barrie Ellis-Daley	Reya Mathai, Julian DeSouza Barrie Ellis-Daley

Church Cleaning:	Wk1: Mon 4th Feb @ 10am	Wk2: Mon 11th Feb @ 7pm
Coffee Morning:	Will be advised at Mass	Will be advised at Mass

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Collection last weekend was **£2,393.09** [Loose plate **49%**; Gift Aid **51%**]
Thank you for your generosity



Sunday 3rd February FOURTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME (Year C)	09.00 10.30 12.00 15.00 18.30	Moylan Family Deceased Suvash Chandra Chakraborty Balakrishna & Sooriadev Appadoo RIP Baptisms Martin Creighton Intentions
Monday 4th February Feria	09.30 18.30	James Maloney RIP Mary O'Sullivan Intentions
Tuesday 5th February St Agatha	09.30 13.00 18.30	Sapiencia Maria Noronha Funeral: MR LIONEL RAJAH John & Bridget McDonnell RIP
Wednesday 6th February St Paul Miki & Companions	09.30 18:30	Maureen Cox RIP Kathleen Girvan
Thursday 7th February Feria	09.30 18.30	Patrick Cummings & Kitty Cummins RIP People of the Parish
Friday 8th February St Jerome Emiliani	09.30 18.30	Angela Ruffle RIP James Fogan RIP
Saturday 9th February Feria	11.00 18.30	Day with Jesus – Special Healing Mass Michael Crowley Intentions
Sunday 10th February FIFTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME (Year C)	09.00 10.30 12.00 18.30	Fr Nkuera Intentions Stephen Moylan RIP Helen Ledger Intentions Velinda Beran Intentions

<p><u>Monday 4th February</u> Padre Pio Group Meet 7.30pm 2nd&4th Monday each mth</p> <p><u>Tuesday 5th February</u> Charismatic Prayer Group (7pm Church)</p> <p><u>Wednesday 6th February</u> Rosary Prayer Group (7pm Parish Meeting Room) SVP (Meet 8.15pm 2nd & 4th Wed in Jan in the Parish Meeting Room)</p>	<p><u>Thursday 7th February</u> Knit & Natter Group (3pm Parish Meeting Room)</p> <p>Legion of Mary (7.15pm Parish Meeting Room)</p> <p>Tamil Mass (7.30pm Church)</p> <p><u>Friday 8th February</u> 50+ Club (2pm at St Anselm's Church)</p> <p><u>Parish Open House</u> (4.30pm – 6.00pm in the Presbytery until further notice)</p>
<p>Sacrament of Reconciliation Sat: 11.30am – 12.30pm</p>	

<p>Adoration & Morning Prayer Monday - Saturday: 8.45am Holy Hour on First Friday</p>	<p>Novena to St Anthony Tuesday: 10am Divine Mercy Chaplet Friday: 10am</p>	<p>Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour Saturday: 10am</p>
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